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Supplementary to the Act heretofore passed for the encouragement of Vaccination.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
- 2 the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That
- 3 it shall be the duty of the agent for vaccination, who has here-
- 4 tofore, or who may from time to time hereafter be appointed
- 5 by the President of the United States, in conformity with the
- 6 act to which this act is supplementary, carefully to preserve,
- 7- and punctually to transmit, through the medium of the post-
- 8 office, to any citizen of the United States, residing therein, or
- 9 in the Territories thereof, who shall make application therefor,
- 10 the genuine vaccine matter, together with plain and simple di-
- 11 rections for the use of the same, free of any cost, charge, or
- 12 expense whatsoever.

- 1 Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid,
- 2 That it shall also be the duty of the said agent to furnish.
- 3 gratis, to some fit and proper person in the city of New-Orleans,
- 4 who shall be by him engaged to receive and distribute the
- 5 same, a sufficient quantity of the said genuine vaccine matter,
- 6 at least once in every and to cause public
- 7 notice to be given in one or more of the Gazettes printed in
- 8 the said city of New-Orleans, of the name and place of resi-
- 9 dence of such person, at least times in
- during the continuance of this act; and
- 11 likewise to cause such notice to be given as often as the per-
- 12 son employed, or the place of residence of such person shall
- 13 be changed.
 - 1 SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That it shall also be the
 - 2 duty of the said agent, to keep a true, faithful, and exact ac-
 - 3 count of the names and places of residence of all persons
 - 4 making application to him for the said genuine vaccine matter,
- 5 with the dates of their separate applications, and the dates
- 6 when the same are by him complied with; and annually to
- 7 transmit to the President of the United States, for the pur-
- 8 pose of being laid before Congress, a true, faithful, and exact
- 9 statement of the same.
- 1 Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the said agent shall
- a receive for the services required by this act, and the act to

- 3 which this is supplementary, the sum of
- 4 dollars per annum, payable in quarterly payments, out of any
- 5 money in the Treasury of the United States, not otherwise
- 6 appropriated: and that during the continuance of this act, the
- 7 said agent shall not receive from any State, Territory, legisla-
- 8 tive body, corporation, or person whatsoever, any other salary
- 9 compensation, fee, gratuity, present, or reward, for the preser-
- vation or distribution of the said vaccine matter, or for giving
- 11 directions for using the same, or doing any of the other duties.
- 12 imposed upon him by this act: Provided always, That nothing
- 13 herein contained, shall be so construed as to prohibit the said
- 14 agent from continuing his practice as a physician, or to prevent
- 15 him from receiving compensation for his professional services
- 16 to, and actual attendance upon, patients in vaccine cases.
 - 1 Sec. 5. And be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid,
 - 2 That the said agent, who now is, or who may hereafter be ap-
 - 3 pointed, shall, before entering upon the duties required of him
 - 4 by this act, or receiving any part of the compensation herein
 - 5 provided, give bond with one or more sufficient securities, to
- 6 the President of the United States, in the penal sum of
- dollars, conditioned for the faithful and punc-
- 8 tual preservation and distribution of the genuine vaccine matter,
- 9 according to the provisions of this act and the act to which this
- 10 is supplementary; and generally for the true, faithful, diligent,

and punctual performance of the duties enjoined upon him by 11 either of the said acts; and the said bond shall be filed in the 12 office of the Secretary of State, and in case of a breach of the 13 condition of the same, by a neglect or refusal on the part of the 14 said agent, to perform any of the duties required of him by this 15 act, or the act to which this is supplementary, or by his receiv-16 ing any salary, compensation, fee, gratuity, present, or reward. 17 contrary to the provisions of this act, then the said bond may. 18 and shall be sued in any court having competent jurisdiction. 19 and the penalty thereof recovered and collected for the use of 21 the United States.

- 1 Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That this act shall con-
- 2 tinue in force for three years from and after the passage there-
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